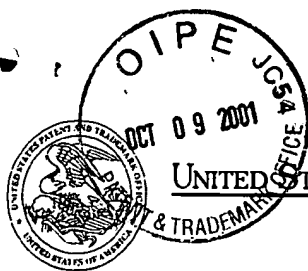


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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$98.
  - \$18 for 1 total claims over 20.
  - \$80 for 1 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 938.

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence and the papers, as described hereinabove, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on September 28, 2001.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, mailed August 1, 2001, Applicants hereby enclose the following: 1) a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts; 2) a fully-executed Assignment and Recordation Form Cover Sheet; 3) a fully-executed Declaration; and also, Applicants request that Deposit Account 50-0996 (VLSI.300PA) is charged: 4) \$130.00 to cover the missing parts fee; and 5) \$40.00 to cover the assignment recordation fee.

Please charge/credit Deposit Account No. 50-0996 (VLSI.300PA) for any credits or deficiencies herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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